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SUBJECT: DIPLOMATIC STATUS OF USIS CENTERS

1. MINISTRY FOREIGN AFFAIRS HAS DISTRIBUTED NOTICE TO ALL FOREIGN MISSIONS THAT UNRESTRICTED FILM SHOWINGS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO QTE PREMISES OF FOREIGN CULTURAL ORGANIZATIONS WHICH ARE NOT LOCATED WITHIN RPT WITHIN THE PREMISES OF THE DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS UNQTE. SUCH SHOWINGS WOULD REQUIRE PRIOR NOTICE TO, AND CERTIFICATIONS BY, BD FILM CENSOR BOARD. CERTIFICATION WOULD BE VALID ONLY FOR THE SINGLE LOCATION AND SHOWING LICENSED BY SAID BOARD. BOARD AND LOCAL AUTHORITIES EMPOWERED TO MAKE SPOT CHECKS DURING SUCH FILM SHOWINGS AT NON-DIPLOMATICALLY INVIOABLE PREMISES.

2. EMBASSY/USIS VIEW HERE IS THAT SEPARATE AMERICAN CULTURAL CENTERS IN DACCA AAND CHITTAGONG CAN BE CONSIDERED QTE PREMISES OF THE MISSION UNQTE AS DEFINED IN ARTICLE 1, PARA (I) OF VIENNA CONVENTION OF APRIL 18, 1961 AND PROTECTED UNDER PROVISION OF ARTICLE 22, PARA 1 AND THEREFORE EXEMPT FROM PROHIBITIONS CONTAINED IN NOTE.

3. REQUEST DEPT/USIA CONCURRENCE ASAP IF MISSION ENTITLED MAKE THIS CLAIM FOR PRESENT AND ANY FUTURE CENTERS WHICH ARE NOT PHYSICALLY INTEGRATED WITHIN CHANCERY PROPER. CITED PRECEDENTS WOULD BE MOST HELPFUL.

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